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Petition for Extension of Time

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

May 28, 2003

Sir:

The undersigned hereby petitions for a one-month extension of time in which to file an amendment in response to the Final Office Action of November 5, 2002.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 02-2334 in the amount of One Hundred and Ten Dollars (\$110.00) for payment of the required fee. In the event any additional fees are due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 02-2334.

Respectfully submitted,

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